

This AYHSC Monthly Meeting was held on January 11, 2018 at 5:30 pm at the Whittemore Robbins House.

Staff Present: Karen Dillon, Anna Collins

Members Present: Megan Laurendeau, Kathy Hirsch, Stephen Porciello, Rebecca Tsopelas, Sarah Augood, Kerry Austin-Smith, Coleman Nee, Ellie Egan

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION
Introductions, Accept Minutes of the December Meeting	<p>Student advisors and sector representatives all introduced themselves and shared their respective roles in the Arlington community.</p> <p>Megan Laurendeau moved to approve the December minutes Kerry Austin-Smith seconded the motion. All present approved the December meeting minutes.</p>	Anna will publish the December minutes on the town website.
Student Coalition Updates	<p>AHS: Date for the Project Purple basketball game being rescheduled to early Feb. 2nd due to conflicting school events.</p> <p>ACHS: Vaping is a major concern, starting a poster campaign</p>	<p>Megan Laurendeau is coordinating the Project Purple game with Karen, will get new date approved</p> <p>Anna Collins will help the 84 students launch a poster campaign</p>
Parent Coalition Updates	Concerned about the increased use of vapes. Parents need to know about the harms of vaping. They are also talking about launching Navigating the Teen Years. Possibly host at the Common Ground.	Karen will look into facilitator training information.
Outreach Committee Updates:	Arlington Advocate article on vaping published on Thursday, Jan 11, 2018.	
Project Updates:		
SAP-C (Substance Abuse Prevention Collaborative) Grant Updates	There will be a Youth Summit on Feb 8th where 4-6 youth from Arlington will attend	<p>Karen will continue to keep AYHSC informed of action steps.</p> <p>Karen will coordinate the youth effort with Anna.</p>
Marijuana Action Plan	Completed the marijuana position paper that will be presented to the Board of Health and published to town website.	

Vaping	High school students who vape may already know the dangers of vaping, but middle schoolers probably do not. Discussed the pros and cons of changing punishment for being caught with a vape on school grounds. Should it be treated as drug paraphernalia or should students be held to in school suspension? Possible poster campaign at AHS by the 84.	
Alcohol	Possibility of increased compliance checks.	
Community Discussion	<p>Water St. dispensary opening, possible opening of second shop was voted down by selectman for now.</p> <p>Media, Clergy and Business sectors of coalition. Possibility of recruiting liquor store owners, or local businesses.</p> <p>Talk to liquor store about policy with out of state IDs. Perhaps during license renewal.</p>	<p>Becca will reach out to religious organizations.</p> <p>Karen will reach out to liquor store owners.</p>
Policy Updates	N/A	

Meeting was adjourned at 7:00pm.

The next Coalition meeting will be held on Thursday, February 1, 2018 at 5:30pm in the Whittemore Robbins House.